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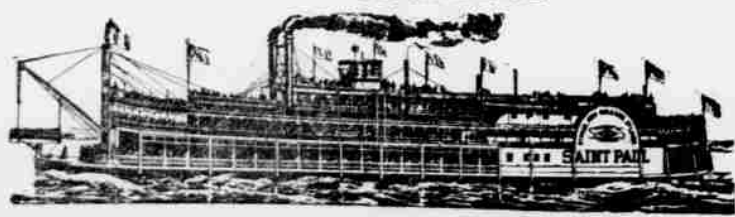
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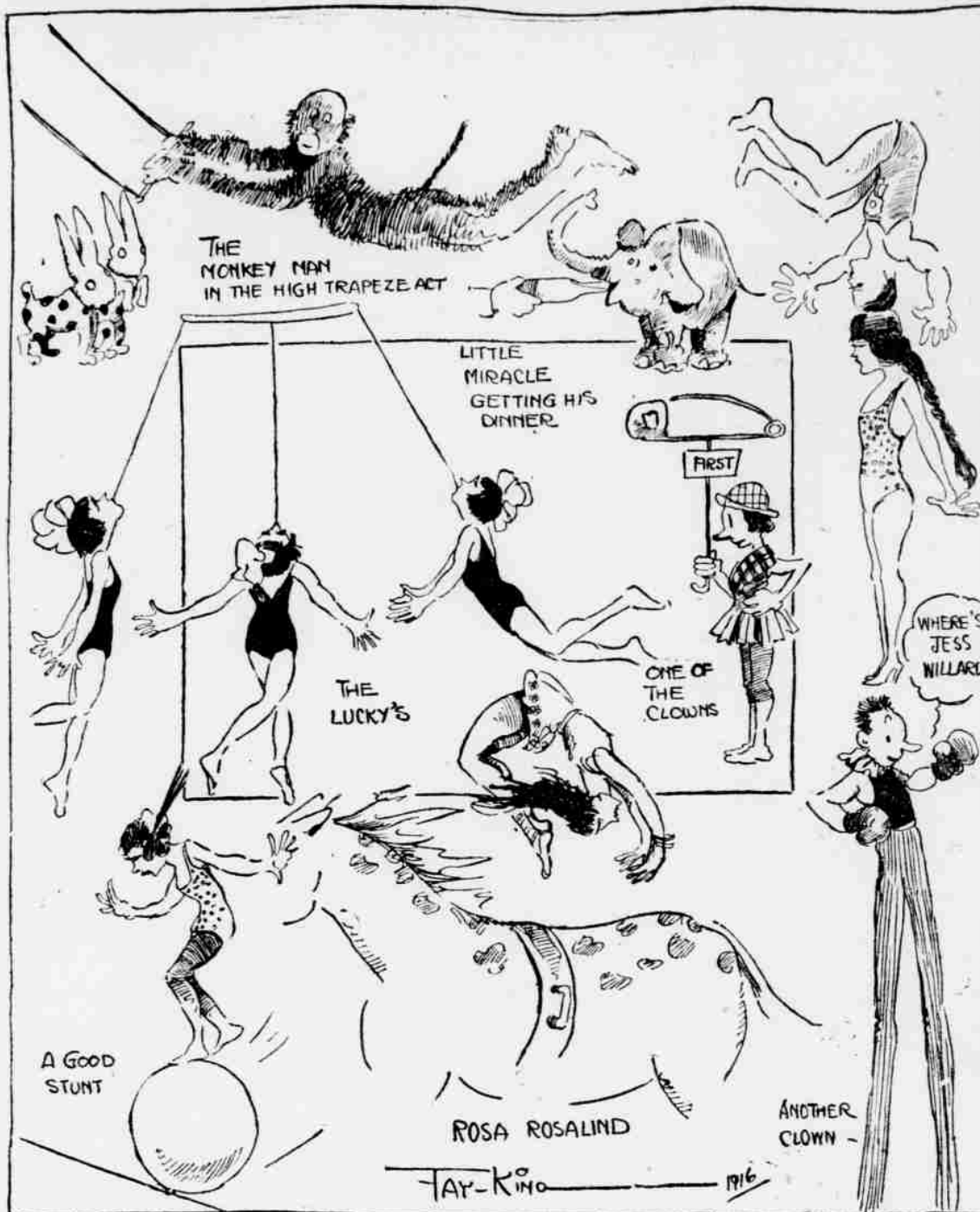


ON STEAMER ST. PAUL
SUNDAY, MAY 21st

Leave Davenport	2:30 p. m.	Fare
Leave Rock Island	3:00 p. m.	Only
Arrive Muscatine	5:30 p. m.	50c
Leave Muscatine	7:00 p. m.	
Arrive home	10:00 p. m.	

See the High Water on this trip. First excursion of the Season on the Big Side-Wheel Steamer.

SIGHTS TO BE SEEN AT SELLS-FLOTO CIRCUS



There's only one direction in Rock Island today, and that is toward Exposition park. The very air spells circus, for during the early hours of morning several train loads of happiness reached the city via the C. M. & St. P. and like the Arabs of old, a veritable city of tents were soon wafted to the breezes. Hardly had the cars been "spotted" in the yards until a multitude of souls poured forth; souls from many climes and all with a certain work to perform. Of course, the unloading process came first and to the delight of the small boy, the wagons and canvas covered cages—all labeled "Dangerous," began rolling off the cars and were hurried away to the circus grounds one after another. To the younger generation keen disappointment was felt when it was learned that Jess Willard and Frank Gotch were still sleeping peacefully in their private cars and could not be viewed by the multitudes. However, the pleasure of seeing 10 lumbering elephants accompanied by "Little Miracle," the only baby elephant ever born to live in the United States, march majestically from the cars, was a sight long to be remembered and made up, in a

way, for the disappointment of not seeing their idols—Willard and Gotch. On the circus grounds everything was hustle and bustle. However, a noticeable feature was the quiet manner in which the work was accomplished. All tents were in the air by 9 o'clock and preparations for the street parade were on the way. A bugle call was sounded, and one by one the wagons and cages began pouring forth from the menagerie tent and every possible direction, falling into their regular place in line. Fully two miles in length it wended its way through the business district and was probably the finest ever seen here in recent years. Sells-Floato may well feel proud of their horses, for better ones were never seen on our streets. Horses were not the only feature, though, for beautiful tabeau wagons, floats, etc., filled with ladies were driven by elephants and camels, and one noticeable feature was that of two elephants drawing a huge cannon, thus demonstrating a new mode of labor saving during these strenuous days of war.

There was a wild west section, real war bonneted Indians—South American Gauchos, Mexican vaqueros and

the typical American cowboy were the features of this section. A troupe of gayly clad Zouaves—drummers and buglers on foot—were in the line of march. Bands of music were plentifully scattered throughout the parade, dispensing music such as only a circus band can, and calliopes, well, there were two line as well as a large set of the Chimes of Normandy, presided over by an attractive young lady. It was a wonderful parade and well worth seeing.

Two performances will be given today—at 2 p. m. and 8 p. m. o'clock. Doors open one hour earlier in order to give everybody an opportunity to visit the large menagerie, ostrich farm and Toyland. A downtown sale of tickets has been placed at Bengston's drug store.

HOLLAND TAKEN BY DUTCH CLAIM

Such is the New Slogan Along Zuyder Zee, Since the Disastrous Floods Have Receded.

Amsterdam, Netherlands.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—The tri-color of the Netherlands has been hoisted along the shores of the Zuyder Zee to celebrate the fact that "the Dutch have taken Holland"; that is, they have regained possession of most of the territory that the sea wrested from them by the disastrous floods of last January.

The great breaches that were torn in the dikes have at length been securely filled-in through the unremitting labor of an army of workmen, and big suction pumps driven by high-powered electric motors are pouring 3,000 cubic meters of flood water over the sea side of the embankments every minute. Working day and night it is expected they will have drained early in May most of the big inland

lake that now covers some 35,000 acres of meadow, and surrounds the homes of 20,000 people in the region known as Waterland, to the north of Amsterdam.

In all, 200,000 cubic meters of sea-water invaded the Netherlands during the January storm. Down to a certain level 40,000,000 cubic meters were blown by favorable winds back into the Zuyder Zee and the North Sea canal, but that limit having been reached the government and provincial authorities still had a small ocean of water to remove by pumps. Regiments of workmen were first detailed to build emergency dikes at all the breached points. The method of accomplishing this was to construct rafts of large sheaves of willow twigs, firmly planted together, and when these rafts were strong enough to bear the weight of a squad of workmen, they were cemented with sand and clay, and finally sunk in the gaps by tipping a load of stones on top of them. In places the gaps were 40 feet deep. At Utdam as many as nine such layers of rafts and material had to be sunk before the breaches were filled up.

While the repair of the dikes was in progress miles of electric cable were laid to Minkendam and Utdam where enormous centrifugal pumps were later mounted, and the country was scoured for motors powerful enough to drive the latter, for it was out of the question to obtain such motors from abroad at the time.

At Utdam is the largest of the pumps, which has three huge pipes, together swallowing a thousand cubic meters of water a minute. At numerous other places there are smaller pumps, with an aggregate of 1,120 horse-power removing 3,000 cubic meters of water a minute. Early in May the North Holland countryside, that is the higher situated land, will have been thoroughly drained, though the "polders" or basins, calculated to hold 45,000,000 cubic meters of water will have to be each separately drained, and for this purpose a dozen additional pumping stations have been established.

The removal of water by no means repairs the flood's effects. There are upwards of 2,500 homesteads and other buildings that will have to be rebuilt and repaired and there is the more serious fact that the whole of this agricultural land will have been saturated with salt by the sea water. Opinions differ as to the length of time it will take to get rid of the salt; but much ground will yield no crop this year, and it is certain that the salt will not have been washed away in its entirety for a long time to come.

It is likely that the costly expenditure to tackle, when the war is over, the great scheme of building a barrier right across the entrance of the Zuyder Zee itself, and so creating a new twelfth province for Queen Wilhelmina's realm.



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HAMLET.

All those owning lots in the Hamlet cemetery are requested to meet at the cemetery for the purpose of cleaning it Thursday, May 25. Everyone is asked to make a special effort to help. Mothers' day was fittingly observed with a special program in the Hamlet Presbyterian church Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Cooper and Miss Mill-cent Boyles visited with relatives at Viola Wednesday.

Mrs. John Reaber spent from Thursday until Sunday with Mrs. Otis Reaber near Aledo.

The Woman's Missionary society

was entertained at the home of Mrs. Harvey Ramsey Thursday.

The Misses Grace, Katherine and Jennie Gray entertained the T. S. E. club Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ova McConaughy were Sunday visitors at Howard Cooper's home.

Ben Neely of New Boston spent last week with his sister, Mrs. C. B. Halstead.

Mrs. Ramsey returned to her home in Aledo Wednesday after spending several days with her son, Harvey Ramsey, and family.

Joe Sproston and family spent Sunday at the home of Leck Cain.

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